

# Harry Potter And The Cursed Child

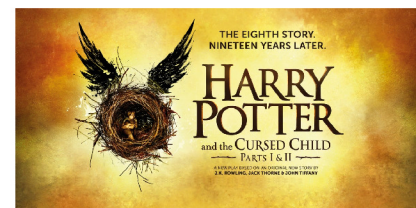
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Millions of fans around the world waited all year for the release of Harry Potter and the Cursed Child. However, a lot of them were let down. The book wasn't exactly a hit with fans. Many of them were pretty disappointed. The book was adapted from the play by J. K. Rowling, Jack Thorne, and John Tiffany. The book did very well, selling more than 680,000 print copies in the UK in just three days. The moment people heard about it, they rushed to preorder it. Cursed Child became the fastest-selling book published this decade.

The book tells the story of an adult Harry Potter, now the father of three children and an employee of the Ministry of Magic. It focused on his youngest son, Albus Severus Potter, and their father-son relationship. One thing that disappointed fans was that it is not written like a "normal" book. Instead, it is a script, with stage directions and dialogue. There wasn't much insight into the characters' thoughts and feelings.

However, there were good qualities about the book. The overall story was pretty interesting. Over the years, fans have created many theories about the world of Harry Potter and what happened to their favorite characters. They gave both major and minor

characters some very interesting futures and backstories. Some of these fantasies became reality in the Cursed Child. There were a lot of interesting details like Albus Potter's house and choice of friends. People who grew up with Harry, Ron, and Hermione would definitely enjoy reading about what happened to them 19 years later. New readers don't even have to have read the original series to enjoy the 8th Harry Potter book. Although the reviews were mixed, I would suggest reading the book and coming up with your own opinion.



# Life Hacks And Essentials For Middle School

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Have you ever wondered if there were ANYTHING that you could do to help you with school work? Well, here are a few life hacks for making school easier!

One tip for doing homework is to listen to music. But don't just listen to ANY music, but listen specifically to Hans Zimmer Pandora. It has no distracting lyrics but, best of all, the scores are intended to motivate. -Teen.com

Another essential trick is how to keep an apple from turning brown. Do you pack a lunch and have a parental guardian who is constantly nagging you

to pack SOMETHING healthy to eat? "You can pack an apple right?" they say. "No, it'll turn brown."

Well, here is the solution! The solution is simple, but most people wouldn't think of it! All you will need is: an apple- duh- an apple slicer, and a rubber band. First, you slice the apple. Next, you tie the slices with the rubber band to look like a full apple. Last, you can even pack some caramel or peanut butter to dip the slices in! **DISCLAIMER: THE APPLE WILL STILL BE SLIGHTLY BROWN BUT NOT THE WHOLE THING!!!** -athriftymom.com

Our last life hack is: **HOW TO REMOVE SHARPIE** marks from clothing. All classes probably use sharpies or markers these days, right??

If you are removing sharpie from clothes, then you use hand sanitizer.

Who knew, right?! If you are ever babysitting a little kid, and you accidentally let them get to the sharpie, and they write on the walls, you can use one of the **STRANGEST** things on this list! You can use **TOOTHPASTE** or even **HAIRSPRAY!!!** Lastly, to get sharpie off of furniture, perhaps from a scandalous toddler, you can use **MILK!** Who knew?! For more great life hacks go to [www.lifehack.org](http://www.lifehack.org) -lifehack.org

